

Exploring Careers in the Law 2024

Moot Court

For Rising 10th–12th Grade Students
and 2024 Graduates



Moot Court | An appellate court simulation in which a hypothetical case is argued.



Considering a Legal Career?

Learn about the legal profession like a law student by presenting a moot court case as if before the Supreme Court.

- Meet members of the judiciary, attorneys, and law students.
- Practice professional skills, such as critical thinking and public speaking, which are essential for any career.

Dates & Locations

JUNE 24-28 – LANSING

During this week-long program, students will sharpen their research, writing, and public speaking skills with the guidance of law students, attorneys, and court staff. Activities will include guest speakers, presentations, small group discussions, writing labs, and practice sessions. Each day's activities lead up to arguments in the Michigan Supreme Court courtroom.

Sessions are 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m. at the **Hall of Justice, 925 West Ottawa Street**. Registration is limited to 24 students.

JULY 26 – DETROIT

In this one-day program, students learn about the legal questions in the case before they outline and present their arguments in a courtroom, guided by law students, attorneys, and court staff. Activities will also include guest speakers, small group discussions, and practice sessions.

Session is 9 a.m.–3 p.m. at the **Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue**. Registration is limited to 24 students.

Drones & the Fourth Amendment | The local government, the plaintiff, used an unmanned drone to take aerial photos of property owned by the defendants without their prior permission. The government relied on those photos to sue the defendants, alleging that they violated local laws and a prior settlement agreement between the parties. Is this allowed under the Fourth Amendment, or did the plaintiff violate the defendants' constitutional protections against unreasonable search and seizure? Should the evidence be excluded?

Questions? Contact Rachael L. Drenovsky
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Applicants are selected on a first-come, first-served basis. Application forms must be complete to be considered. These are day programs only – no lodging is provided. Participants are responsible for transportation and any other travel expenses.

Exploring Careers in the Law | Student Application – 2024

Office Use

Student:

Parent/Guardian:

Grade (Fall 2024):

School:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Alternate Phone:

Email(s):

(Confirmations will be sent by email.)

Select a session:

June 24– 28 | Lansing

July 26 | Detroit

Hall of Justice, 925 West Ottawa Street, 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue, 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

In Case of Emergency

Contact:

Relationship:

Phone:

Alternate Phone:

Alternate Contact:

Relationship:

Phone:

Alternate Phone:

Is there any additional information, including requests for accommodations, that you wish staff to know?

Authorizations

Participation: My child has permission to engage in all program activities.

Parent/Guardian:

Signature:

Date:

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Signature:

Date:

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Student Applicant Goals

What interests you in attending the Exploring Careers in the Law moot court program? (1–2 paragraphs)

What do you hope to learn by attending the program? (1–2 paragraphs)

Return completed applications turn by email to Rachael L. Drenovsky, drenovskyr@courts.mi.gov or mail to:

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